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In re the Application of:

**Debe, Derek A. et al.**

**Serial No.: 09/905,176**

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**For:** METHOD FOR DETERMINING  
THREE-DIMENSIONAL PROTEIN  
STRUCTURE FROM PRIMARY PROTEIN  
SEQUENCE

**Group Art Unit:** 1631

**Examiner:** Borin, Michael L.

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

**Commissioner for Patents**  
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Sir:

The following is in response to the office action mailed September 30, 2003. Applicant hereby requests a four-month extension of time in which to reply to said office action, extending the period for reply from October 30, 2003 to February 29, 2004. A check in the amount of \$740.00 to cover the required fee is enclosed herewith. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2586.

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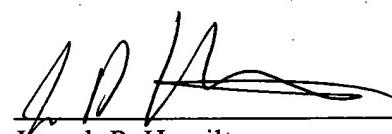
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Applicant hereby elects Group I, claims 1-26, without traverse.

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